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The Steeple Gallery

Housed in a renovated church, this 4,000 square foot gallery, specializing in fine art from around the world, was featured on the Home and Garden channel.

11107 Thiel St., St. John
219.365.1014
www.the.steeplegallery.com

This guide is color-coded by geographical zones. You'll see place names within the guide that appear in the same color as those on the zonal map. That tells you generally where the site is located. For a detailed look at what's where, turn to the road map on page 30.



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Feed your soul with a sunset picnic at the Indiana Dunes

Northern Indiana, a naturally beautiful destination that's nearby. Within a short drive, you'll find quaint small towns, glimmering lakes, national and state parks, great golfing, antiques, outlet malls, and boutiques. All this and so much more.



So, turn off your pager, your cell phone, and forget about your email. Take some time for yourself. Relax and kick back in Northern Indiana.

AT YOUR LEISURE

In this hurried, workaday world, time off is precious and important: it refreshes mind, body, and soul. So, why not make the most of your leisure time by visiting nearby Northern Indiana? You'll discover a variety of simple pleasures, friendly people and a slower pace of life.

Northern Indiana is known for the **Indiana Dunes**, **Notre Dame** and **Amish Country**. But did you know that the Dunes are part of the national and state park systems? There are **23 miles of unspoiled**

beaches to explore in any season. Forget the treadmill and climb up a sand dune instead; it's an all-natural way to get your heart pumping and the view can't be beat. Cool down by taking a leisurely stroll on one of many trails throughout these national and state parks.

The Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and Indiana Dunes State Park are picture-perfect for hiking, bird-watching, and discovering many indigenous and unusual plants. When you've finished exploring nature, check out area **antique stores** or one of the nearby **historic sites**.

As you drive along the highway toward South Bend, you can almost hear the cheers of diehard **University of Notre Dame** football fans. The "Fighting Irish" have long attracted



Live the legends at the University of Notre Dame

DAY LIFE

alumni to this beautiful campus and it's free for anyone to explore. Notre Dame is far more than football; its educational roots are deep and strong. Take a **walking tour** through the campus and discover why this legendary institution remains one of America's top 20 universities. The natural splendor of this campus is matched by world-class sculpture

I didn't realize how beautiful Northern Indiana really is.

and stunning architecture. The **Basilica of the Sacred Heart** is a religious and artistic masterpiece. When you need a break from your walking tour, relax with a beverage or enjoy a meal in one of the many eateries conveniently located right on campus.

To experience another place in time, look no further than **Amish Country**. Discover how and why the Amish live in modern times without modern conveniences by spending some



Experience Amish Country rush hour

time at **Menno-Hof**, an interactive multimedia museum. The Amish are renowned for furniture crafting and quilt making, and you'll find their wares in local stores. You can explore Amish Country by driving the **Heritage Trail** or choose some **Backroads** to discover on your own. The Amish chose this part of Indiana because of the rich soil. They sow and reap using traditional horse and plow. You can see them working the fields or heading to and fro in their horse-drawn buggies. Visit the Amish, and you may never look at your life in quite the same way again.

If you love nature, **explore our state parks**. For example, **Pokagon State Park** is especially popular for winter fun with its refrigerated toboggan run and cross-country ski trails. Whether you like it fast or slow, you can create your own natural adventure. There are canoes

to paddle, fish to catch, trails to hike, bike and ski, and lakes for sailing and powerboating. It's our place but



Explore nature at Pokagon State Park

your pace. There's nothing quite like chirping crickets and fluttering butterflies to soothe even the most stressed-out soul. Let our natural wonders work their magic on you.



Save at Lighthouse Place Premium Outlets

If **shopping** is your idea of adventure, Northern Indiana has everything from antique stores to outlet malls and boutique shops. **Lighthouse Place Premium Outlets** carries popular brands such as Coach and Timberland – all at discount prices sure to make you smile. Northern Indiana is also home to many artisans who allow you to watch them make pottery, dip candles, and cut glass – and if you like, you can purchase these one-of-a-kind pieces as a memento of your visit.

History buffs will certainly enjoy our many museums. You can step back in time by visiting towns such as Winona Lake. This lakeside village is a restored Victorian treasure listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The **Old Lighthouse Museum** features

ship models, exhibits on Lake Michigan maritime history, and the only lighthouse of its kind in Indiana. There are whole towns filled with restored vintage architecture, and museums dedicated to local automotive history, industrial history, football, and colorful celebrities.

And if it's **festivals** you want, Northern Indiana has them. In September alone there are many from which to choose. For example, The **Blueberry Festival** in Plymouth is the largest four-day festival in the Midwest and has many delicious and unusual foods made from this local



Give a cheer for the Blueberry Festival horse-pull

fruit. At the **Wizard of Oz Festival** in Chesterton you can celebrate this famed movie classic and even shake the hand of an original Munchkin. You can learn more about the Potawatomi Indian tribe that once lived here by attending **Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa**, a celebration by the Potawatomi Indian Nation in South Bend. Northern Indiana



Relax at a bed & breakfast like Checkerberry Inn

has all kinds of festivals: big, small, and downright unusual. Festivals are a fun way to discover different cultures, taste new foods, hear music, and see fine and whimsical art. Log on to **www.NorthernIndianaGetaways.com** for a complete listing of events.

COME STAY AWHILE

We invite you to camp in our forests, or stay in a hotel, inn, or cozy bed & breakfast. The modest lodging prices will certainly surprise you, as will the rest of what Northern Indiana has to offer. You can save even more by checking our website for **special lodging packages**.



EXPLORE, DISCOVER,
AND CONNECT WITH A
SLOWER PACE OF LIFE.

Explore





Around and About **CULVER**

SMALL TOWN, SOPHISTICATED CHARM.

Part quintessential small town, part resort, Culver is a truly unique lakeside destination. It covers an area of just 2.3 square miles and has a population of 1,404. But don't let its size fool you...this is a sophisticated little gem with some of the most expensive real estate in Indiana.

Million-dollar homes line the shores of beautiful Lake Maxinkuckee (a.k.a. Lake Max), the second largest lake in Indiana.

Photographing this town was a dream - talk about picture-perfect.†

CULVER

has been a summer resort area since the mid-1800s, owing primarily to the presence of one very exclusive high school, **The Culver Academies** (1300 Academy Road, 800.5.CULVER, www.culver.org). It is one of America's premier college-prep boarding schools, attracting students from around the world. Some of the more famous graduates include George Steinbrenner, principal owner of the New York Yankees, actors Hal Holbrook and Jonathan Winters, and racecar driver Roger Penske.

Located on 1,800 wooded acres on the shore of Lake Maxinkuckee, the Culver Academies began as a military institution in 1894. Its military heritage is easy to see in the buildings' turrets and parapets. Feel free to stroll the grounds yourself, or better yet, call ahead and schedule a tour with one of the boarding school students. On Sundays, there are **student marches** held on the parade grounds. But these are not protest marches: these are precision military marches that include silent drill teams and equestrian troops.

CULVER STOPS & SHOPS

The Bear End

Dubbed "the biggest little bear shop in Northern Indiana." Gund, Steiff, Knickerbocker, and Annette Funicello. Pick up a new furry friend or two.

110 South Main St.

574.842.3398

Interior Views

The place for outdoor accessories including whimsical items, candles, and nautical themes.

109 South Main St.

574.842.4408

Maxinkuckee Moon Antique Mall

An excellent selection of antique furniture, glassware, and linens.

600 West Jefferson St.

574.842.2626



The Culver Academies is renowned for its Black Horse Troop, America's largest remaining cavalry. Established in 1897, the Black Horse Troop has performed in 12 presidential inaugural parades. You can see the Black Horse Troop perform drills on most Sundays during the academic year.

Culver is a friendly town where it's easy to chat with local residents. Strike up a conversation at the **Painter and Poet Gallery** (574.842.8888, www.painterandpoet.com), an interesting little place where a local couple makes and sells their own beautiful watercolor paintings and notecards. Ester paints, Ward writes.

FISH, BIKE, BOAT, RELAX

Lake Max is rated as a **prime walleye location** with some of the best fishing in the entire Midwest. Anglers commonly hook large and small-mouth bass, bluegill, crappie, and yellow perch.

In addition to fine fishing, Lake Max also has a public **swimming beach** and an 11-mile **bicycle trail** around the lake that is part of the **Marshall County marked bike system** (www.blueberrycountry.org). Rent boats for skiing, fishing or sailing at the **Culver Marina** (574.842.3375).

If per chance that fish actually got away – no worries – there are some good restaurant choices in Culver that have local fish on the menu. Enjoy a bluegill sandwich at **Corndance Café** (574.842.3243), a restaurant featuring the culinary skills of the same chef who opened Tuscany and Riva in Chicago. The menu includes Italian fare,

steaks and seafood. For a breakfast splurge, check out **Café Max** (574.842.2511). Their French toast is transformed from cinnamon rolls and smothered with icing and hot syrup. It's absolutely sinful!

Extend the small-town feel of Culver by lodging at the **Culver Bed & Breakfast** (574.842.4009), a Victorian home built in 1917 and a recipient of the Historical Landmark Award from the Marshall County Historical Museum. This B&B is a short walk from Lake Maxinkuckee and has rooms with private baths.

Enjoy a weekend getaway in Culver, a world away that's right next door. For more information, contact the **Culver Chamber of Commerce** at 888.252.LAKE or www.culverchamber.com.

Get a taste of Culver at Edgewater Grille





Shipshewana



Mentone



Valparaiso

Other Northern Indiana QUAINT HOMETOWNS



LaPorte

Create your own old-fashioned ice cream treat inside the 1918 Temple News Agency's Soda Fountain. Then stroll through downtown's numerous antique and specialty shops.

219.634.2650

www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

Lowell

Explore over 30 specialty shops in this historic small town full of turn-of-the-century ambiance. Indulge in a sweet treat from the pastry shop or dine in one of the flavorful restaurants.

219.696.6487

www.shoplowellindiana.com

Valparaiso

Admire charming downtown architecture housing upscale boutiques and restaurants. Purchase locally grown produce on the courthouse lawn or a gourmet dessert from Valpo Velvet Shoppe.

800.283.8687

www.indianadunes.com

Mentone

Known as the "Egg Basket of the Midwest" and rural enough not to need a traffic signal. Mentone will host the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, September 11-14, 2003.

574.353.7113

www.livingweb.com/bell

New Carlisle

An abundance of stately 19th Century Victorian, Queen Anne and Italianate mansions has placed this town on the National Register of Historic Places. Stop by Miller's Home Café for some home cooking.

574.654.3897

www.ncpl.lib.in.us

Angola

Browse downtown shops stocked with antiques and collectibles, centered around the historic Monument Circle. Tri-State University adds cultural diversity to this historic community.

800.LAKE.101

www.lakes101.org

Nappanee

Located in the heart of one of the nation's largest Amish settlements this bustling town offers dozens of antique stores. Named one of the nation's "10 Best Small Towns" by *TIME*® magazine.

574.773.7812

www.nappanee.org

Shipshewana

Almost 100 specialty stores beckon shoppers searching for handmade furniture, heirloom antiques, quilts, baked goods and handcrafted items. The Midwest's largest outdoor flea market runs May–October.

800.254.8090

www.backroads.org

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essenhaus.com



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82 pages of stories, events, attractions, maps & Amish Country lifestyle
800.278.9332 www.AmishCountry.org

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Around and About
POKAGON STATE PARK

THE CLEAN CLEAR SCENT OF PINE,
twittering birds, and sparkling lakes – when you crave the kind of
rejuvenation that only nature can provide, come to Pokagon State Park –
our doors are wide open in every season.

Giddyup. How long has it been since you've ridden a horse?

Trot along park trails on a horse or pony. Rentals are
available at the **Pokagon State Park stable** (260.833.6007).

No experience necessary.

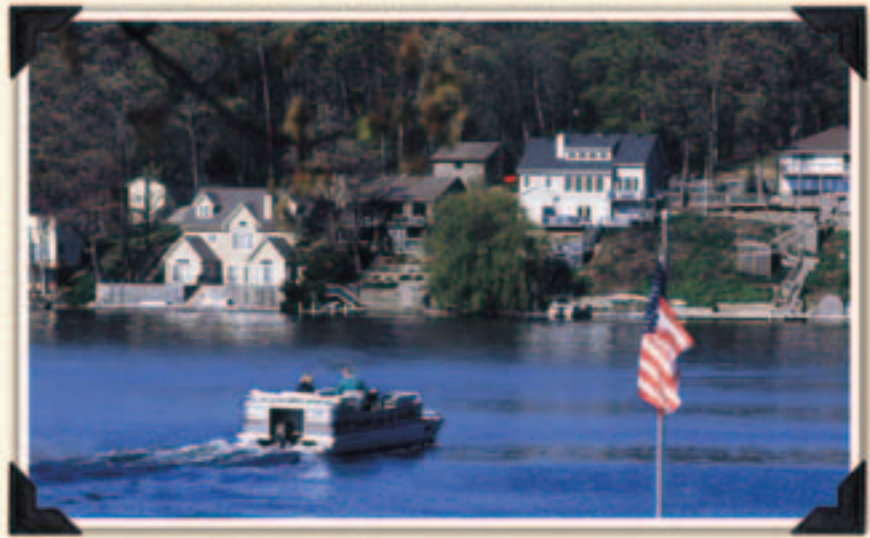
*After horseback
riding and row
boats, our cozy room
at the inn was just
what we needed.*

A PARK FOR ALL SEASONS

Pokagon attracts nearly one million visitors annually. The Angola park is perfect for active adventures such as hiking, canoeing, and cross-country skiing. It's also a great place for less strenuous activities such as bird watching and fishing.

Spend a long weekend at Pokagon by **camping** in the woods or enjoying a more pampered stay at the beautiful **Potawatomi Inn** (877.768.2928, www.indianainns.com) located right in the State Park. This Inn was named "among the top 25 resorts in the Midwest" by *Midwest Living Magazine*. Both guest rooms and cabins are available and quite affordably priced. The restaurant serves three meals daily, and the café offers sandwiches and beverages. Be sure to plan ahead for peak season stays as some guests book two years in advance. **Pontoon, paddleboat and fishing boat** rentals are all available at the Inn.

Pokagon's terrain reflects its Ice Age legacy. As the Wisconsin glacier moved



Lake James

through and melted 14,000 years ago, it left behind bogs, swamps, lakes, jagged hills, and moraine – and it's all yours to explore. Seven marked **hiking trails** wind through the park, none more than three miles long. You can hike through deciduous woodlands, pine groves, meadowlands and more. For an orientation on local flora and fauna, stop by the park's **Nature Center**.

If you love the water, you'll find two beautiful lakes that border the park here: Lake James and Snow Lake. You can **fish, boat, and swim** in these lakes. There are also two beaches on Lake James with the main bathhouse open Memorial Day through Labor Day.

If **fishing** is your idea of relaxation, there are plenty of fish to hook. Snow Lake is home to yellow perch, bluegill, and large-mouth bass. Lake James' bounty includes large and small-mouth bass, bluegill and walleye. Note that Indiana fishing licenses are required and are conveniently available at the park office.

Come winter, **cross-country skiers** can choose from two maintained trails: beginner and advanced. The beginner trail is flat and ideal for those on their first cross-country outing. The more advanced trail runs four miles and features challenges such as steep slopes and sharp curves.

A special winter thrill is our famed **toboggan run** (260.833.2012). This double-lane toboggan slide is refrigerated

– keeping the run extra slick and smooth. You'll fly down at nearly 40 miles per hour. The warming shelter nearby keeps you toasty, offering hot chocolate, coffee and soups.

You'll find more to explore just minutes away from Pokagon State Park. For example, at the nearby outlet mall, **Prime Outlets** (6245 North Old 27, Fremont, 260.833.1684), you'll save 25-65% on brand names such as Reebok, Big Dogs, Levi's, Nautica, and Coach. There are more than 45 outlet stores at this mall.

Need a break from all that shopping? Grab a bite at the **Herb Garden Restaurant** (215 East SR 120, Fremont, 260.833.1658), which features such specialties as crab cakes, yam fries and portabello mushroom dishes. You won't leave the park setting far behind; the restaurant is in a rustic log cabin with seasonal outside dining available.

Enjoy a long weekend at Indiana's Pokagon State Park, a great area to explore, get active and have fun in any season. For more information, contact the **Steuben County Tourism Bureau** at 800.LAKE.101 or visit the Pokagon State Park website: www.state.in.us/dnr.

Pokagon's refrigerated toboggan slide



POKAGON STOPS & SHOPS

Satek Winery

Sample wine made from local grapes. This Northeast Indiana winery also has a picnic area.

6208 North Van Guilder Rd., Fremont
260.495.WINE
www.satekwinery.com

Wild Winds Buffalo Preserve

Where the buffalo roam and you can too. Reserve a horse with your room at our B&B, then ride the range on horseback. Guests are served buffalo meat for breakfast.

6975 North Ray Rd., Fremont
260.495.0137
www.wildwindsbuffalo.com

Barn Stable Antiques

Shop in a beautifully restored 1870 barn filled with primitive, painted and period furniture. Vintage jewelry, pottery, and glassware are also sold here.

330 East SR 120, Fremont
260.495.2276
www.barnstableantiques.com



Indiana Dunes State Park



Swan Lake Resort

Other Northern Indiana

OUTDOOR EXPERIENCES

OUTDOORS

Indiana Dunes Birding and Ecotourism

Check out the bogs, marshes, forests, moraines, dunes and ponds. The area is home to 330 bird species including the Great Blue Heron and the American Bald Eagle.

Visitors Center, 800 Indian Boundary Rd., Chesterton
800.283.8687
www.indianadunes.com

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore Beaches

On the southernmost shores of Lake Michigan, seven beaches surprise visitors with their "singing sands," easy access to major highways, convenient parking, picnic and hiking areas.

Visitors Center
Kemil Rd. and US 12, Beverly Shores
800.959.9174 ext. 225
www.nps.gov/indu

Shared Bikeways of LaPorte County

Choose from 20 rides totaling 400 miles, varying in length and difficulty. Travel through the natural terrain, communities and parks of the area.

Visitors Center
1503 South Meer Rd., Michigan City
888.259.5999
www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

East Race Waterway

North America's first of only six artificial whitewater courses features more than

five miles of paved and lighted walking/running paths along the scenic St. Joseph River.

Niles and Colfax Ave., South Bend
574.299.4768 ext. 245
www.southbendparksandrecreation.org

Lake Maxinkuckee

Indiana's second largest lake offers a variety of recreational opportunities. Rent a boat at the marina to enjoy sailing, water skiing or some of the best fishing in the Midwest.

3000 East Shore Dr., Culver
574.842.3375
www.blueberrycountry.org

Swan Lake Resort

The Midwest's premier golf destination and home to the US Golf Academy. Two 18-hole championship courses and resort comfort make it a favorite for stay and play golf getaways.

5203 Plymouth/LaPorte Trail, Plymouth
800.582.7539
www.slresort.com

101 Lakes

Northern Indiana Lakes Country offers swimming, boating, skiing and fishing. Rent a pontoon, paddleboat or fishing boat at Pokagon. Public beaches offer sun and fun.

207 South Wayne St., Angola
800.LAKE.101
www.lakes101.org

Historic Bonneyville Mill County Park

The centerpiece of this 223 acre park is Indiana's oldest continuously operating grist mill. Explore five miles of hiking trails, fish in the Little Elkhart River or try cross-country skiing in the winter.

53373 CR 131, Bristol
574.535.6458
www.elkhartcountyparks.org

Pigeon River Fish & Wildlife Reserve

Explore the Midwest's largest nature preserve with more than 11,500 acres. Enjoy canoeing, fishing, hunting, camping and outdoor activities. Trading Post canoe rental and campground on-site.

8310 East 100 North, Mongo
260.367.2164
www.state.in.us/dnr

SAVE ON REPEAT VISITS

Pick up an annual entrance permit at any Indiana Department of Natural Resources. It's good at any DNR property and costs just \$24 for Indiana residents and \$30 for out-of-state visitors.

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For more details, see Roadmap on page 30.

Northern Indiana

INFORMATION CENTER

For more information about Northern Indiana's attractions, order the brochures below by calling the individual county CVB number listed by each brochure.



Lake County

Miles of beaches, four casinos, 11 county parks, top name entertainment at the Star Plaza Theatre and many unique shopping and dining opportunities.

Lake County CVB

800.ALL.LAKE

www.alllake.org



South Bend /Mishawaka

The University of Notre Dame, College Football Hall of Fame, Copshaholm Mansion, and the Studebaker National Museum.

South Bend /

Mishawaka CVB

877.792.7687

www.livethelegends.org



Northern Indiana Harbor Country

Outlet shopping, lakefront casino gambling, the Indiana Dunes, and charter boat fishing on Lake Michigan.

LaPorte County CVB

888.493.5349

www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com



Amish Country/Elkhart County

Photographs and stories about the the unique attractions and Amish culture found in communities like Shipshewana, Elkhart, Goshen, Nappanee, and Middlebury.

Elkhart County CVB

800.278.9332

www.amishcountry.org



Indiana Dunes

The Casual Coast

Small town charm, wineries, colorful festivals, and the Indiana Dunes State Park and National Lakeshore.

Porter County CVB

800.283.8687

www.indianadunes.com



Northern Indiana Lakes Country

Pokagon State Park, the Midwest's longest refrigerated toboggan run, outlet shopping, and 101 natural lakes.

Steuben County CVB

800.LAKE.101

www.lakes101.org



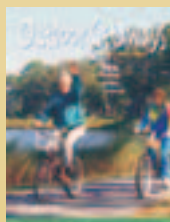
Kosciusko County

Water fun, live professional theatre, skilled craftsmen in a restored historical shopping district, and over 100 natural lakes.

Kosciusko County CVB

888.560.4463

www.koscvb.org



Marshall County

Great golf courses, fish-filled lakes, marked bike routes, and the famous Blueberry Festival, the Midwest's largest four-day festival.

Marshall County CVB

800.626.5353

www.blueberrycountry.org



Shipshewana/Amish Backroads

Experience the tranquil lifestyles of the Amish and Mennonite cultures along country backroads and the Midwest's largest flea market in Shipshewana.

LaGrange County CVB

800.254.8090

www.backroads.org

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Around and About **WINONA LAKE**

A RESTORED HISTORIC TREASURE.

In its heyday in the early 20th century, Winona Lake was a religious Chautauqua attracting more than a quarter million people to the town every year. Eventually, the religious scene faded and the town fell into disrepair. But in 1997, caring entrepreneurs got together and restored this town to its former glory. Buildings were meticulously renovated and grounds were carefully landscaped.

Today, it is a pristine example of turn-of-the-century lakefront architecture with an Artisans Court at its core. The **Village at Winona** is a place where you can relax, browse unique shops, and enjoy life at a slower pace.

*Ah, sitting.
My favorite sport.*

A NATIONAL TREASURE

The town of Winona Lake is a restored treasure listed on the **National Register of Historic Places**. Explore Winona's interesting history at area museums; visit artist studios housed in vintage cottages; stroll along the lakefront park; and enjoy a host of special events held throughout the year, such as the annual **juried art fair**, held the first weekend in June.

If you ever wondered what it might be like to live in another time, visit the **Billy Sunday Home and Museum** (877.786.3292, www.villageatwinona.com). The Sundays built their home, Mt. Hood, in Winona Lake in 1911 and it is a perfect example of a middle class lifestyle. Everything in the home is authentic — no replicas or reproductions. Tableware, memorabilia, and vintage furniture make the home one of the most authentic examples of Arts and Crafts décor, a style popular in the 1900s.

The centerpiece of the Village is the **Artisans Court**. Many of the galleries at



Billy Sunday Home and Museum

AMERICA'S BASEBALL EVANGELIST

Billy Sunday (born William Ashley Sunday) played pro ball from 1883 to 1890. He was especially known for brazenly stealing bases. His flamboyant style served him well when he turned his talents to Evangelism. He was the first to incorporate vigorous showmanship into his sermons — flinging his coat on the ground and prancing around like a player rounding home plate. America was ripe for such a preacher. It was the era of prohibition, a perfect subject for Sunday's hellfire sermons. During his 40-year career as an Evangelist, Sunday's fiery preaching reached more than one hundred million people.



the Court are home to working artists and you can watch them as they create. At **Winona Lake Pottery** (804 Park Ave., 574.269.1486), see how expert potter David Marshall shapes a lump of clay into a beautiful vase or other functional work of art. At **Warsaw Cut Glass** (806 Park Ave., 574.269.5166), watch master glass artisans as they etch crystal tableware and decorative pieces. Former horse rancher and rodeo performer, **Robert Hudson** (803 East Canal, 574.267.8737) captures the spirit of the American West in true-to-life paintings. Visit his gallery and watch him bring the West alive before your eyes. All these original art works, and the many others at the Artisans Court, make treasured gifts and cherished heirlooms.

Check out art performances of another sort at **The Wagon Wheel Theatre** (866.823.2618, www.wagonwheeltheatre.com); it offers musicals, dramas, and children's productions in an intimate in-the-round setting where you are never more than ten rows from the performers. An interesting place to dine overlooking the beautiful lake is the **Boathouse**

Restaurant (574.268.2179); it is on the same location as the original boathouse, which was a popular place during Winona Lake's most vibrant years. For an elegant historical stay, there's the **Ramada White Hill Manor** (2519 East Center St., Warsaw; 574.269.2323), a restored English Tudor mansion on the Historic Registry.

Plan a weekend getaway to the **Village at Winona**, a great place to enjoy history and art in a vintage small town setting. For more information, call 574.268.9888 or visit the website www.villageatwinona.com.

See art take shape at the Village of Winona



WINONA STOPS & SHOPS

Whetstone Woodenware

A store filled with wooden kitchen tools handcrafted from hard maple. The craftsmen use designs that have been passed down by their ancestors.
903 East Canal
574.372.3670
www.whetstonewoodenware.com

The Shuttle Shop

Watch expert weavers create colorful home decor items and apparel, table runners, sweaters, rugs and more.
1003 East Canal
574.269.9090

Vintage France Deli

Create the perfect picnic basket with fine imported foods, deli sandwiches, cheeses, and wine. Enjoy lunch at the outdoor café tables or head to the park.
802 Park Ave.
574.268.1337
www.vintagefrance.com



Hallmark Ornament Museum



Crown Point Courthouse



Studebaker Museum

Other Northern Indiana

HISTORIC EXPERIENCES

Crown Point Courthouse

Known as the Grand Old Lady, this building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The courthouse is also home to the Lake County Historical Museum and several specialty shops.

Old Courthouse Sq., Crown Point
219.663.1800
www.crownpointguide.com

Door Prairie Auto Museum

Travel through Indiana's rich automotive heritage as you tour three floors of classic autos. Antique toys and airplanes and 100 years of historic main street facades await your discovery.

2405 Indiana Ave., LaPorte
219.326.1337
www.dpautomuseum.com

Memorial Opera House

Broadway shows abound in this 1893 National Register memorial to Civil War veterans. The 2003 series includes *Joseph, Guys and Dolls*, *42nd Street* and more.

104 Indiana Ave., Valparaiso
219.548.9137
www.memorialoperahouse.com

Ancilla Domini Chapel

Be inspired by the beautiful architecture of the "Chapel in the Cornfield," located on the Ancilla College campus. The

neo-Gothic columns of the nave soar up as if reaching toward heaven.

9601 Union Rd., Plymouth
574.936.8898
www.ancilla.edu

Hallmark Ornament Museum

Deck the halls year round with your choice of more than 3,000 ornaments, some more than a quarter century old.

3418 Lake City Hwy., Warsaw
574.267.8787
www.thepartyshop.com

Studebaker Museum

114 years of local automotive history is preserved in a turn-of-the century Studebaker dealership. The 75 immaculate Studebakers on display include the first and last cars produced by the automaker.

525 South Main St., South Bend
574.235.9714
www.studebakermuseum.org

Menno-Hof

Amish builders erected the striking barn structure that houses this interpretative center. Multimedia presentations, historic environments and colorful displays tell the story of the Mennonite and Amish.

510 West Van Buren St., Shipshewana
260.768.4117
www.mennohof.org

Ruthmere

This opulent home featured on A&E's "America's Castles" contains elegant appointments, furnishings and artworks reflecting the lifestyle of its original owner.

302 East Beardsley Ave., Elkhart
888.287.7696
www.ruthmere.org

St. James Chapel

Built in 1903, this chapel is a replica of a Cambridge Chapel in Oxford, England. The collegiate style seating and pews were hand-carved by a student in exchange for tuition. Tours by appointment.

SR 9 & Union St., Howe
260.562.2131
www.backroads.org

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Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa, South Bend

FESTIVALS & EVENTS

MARCH

15/ Phil Vassar — Ramada Wagon Wheel Concert Series, Warsaw

The reigning ASCAP Country Songwriter of the Year has been awarded for his songwriting achievements from Billboard, American Songwriter and the NSAI.

888.560.4463

www.wagonwheeltheatre.com

APRIL

25–26/ Wakarusa Maple Syrup Festival, Wakarusa

Maple syrup camp tours, giant jellybeans, games, a parade, and hot-off-the-griddle pancakes with authentic maple syrup.

800.860.5958

www.AmishCountry.org

27/ LaPorte County Antique Show, LaPorte

More than 100 dealers converge in the “Antique Mecca” of Northern Indiana. First of four shows.

888.493.5349

www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

MAY

2–3/ Mayfest, Shipshewana

Celebrate Spring! Food, music, shopping, parade, kids activities and family fun.

800.254.8090

www.backroads.org

3–4/ World War II Reenactment, Lowell

Commemorate WWII at the Buckley Homestead. Reenactment battle, WWII tanks, trucks and military equipment, USO entertainment and historic buildings.

219.696.8969

www.lakecountyparks.org

24–26/ Whistle Stop Days, Hesston

The Hesston Steam Museum starts the season with its traditional Memorial Day celebration featuring demonstrations and train rides.

888.493.5349

29–31/ Mentone Egg Festival, Mentone

Live music, car show, parade, tractor pull and good food. Fun for the whole family.

888.560.4463

JUNE

June 14, 21, 28 / July 5, 12, 19, 25, 26 / August 2 / Firefly Festival for the Performing Arts, South Bend

Music under the stars at the beautiful outdoor amphitheater at St. Patrick's Park. Weekends June through August.

574.288.3472

www.fireflyfestival.com

20–22/ Elkhart Jazz Festival, Elkhart

Internationally known musicians perform cool to hot jazz on seven stages.

800.597.7627

www.elkhartjazzfestival.com

21/ Latin Festival, Plymouth

Outdoor family festival featuring Latin music, food and artisans. Free admission.

574.936.2876

20–22/ City of Lakes Festival, Warsaw

Triathletes compete, bikers ride, musicians perform and airplane formations zoom overhead at this multi location three day event.

888.560.4463

www.warsawcdc.org

JULY

1–6/ Bremen Fireman's Festival, Bremen

Arts and crafts, a parade and games. Top off your day with an exciting fireworks display.

800.626.5353

3–6/ Cedar Lake Summerfest, Cedar Lake

Featuring fireworks, car show, carnival, beer garden, entertainment, and a boat & land parade.

219.374.4444

www.alllake.org

5/ Musicfest, Fremont

Enjoy musical acts ranging from jazz to blues to country. A parade, crafts and concessions.

800.LAKE.101

18–20/ Culver LakeFest, Culver

Unique small town festival held on the banks of beautiful Lake Maxinkuckee. A parade, arts & crafts show and queen contest.

800.626.5353

18–26/ Elkhart County 4-H Fair, Goshen

Indiana's largest county fair promises nine days of family

fun. 4-H exhibits, giant midway and top name grandstand entertainment.

574.533.FAIR

www.4hfair.org

25–27/ Pierogi Festival, Whiting

A celebration with pierogies and other ethnic foods galore. Live polka bands, parade, beer tent, arts & crafts show, and kids activities.

877.659.0292

www.whitingindiana.com

26–27/ Vermont Settlement Festival, Orland

Orland celebrates its designation as the birthplace of Steuben County. A primitive village, car show, parade, kid's games and arts and crafts.

800.LAKE.101

July 23–August 2/ Summer Shakespeare at Notre Dame, Notre Dame

A play, based on the works of William Shakespeare, is professionally directed, designed and performed by a cast of equity actors and students and staged at Washington Hall on the University of Notre Dame campus. The 2003 performance is *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

877.792.7687

AUGUST

2–3/ Chesterton Art Fair, Hawthorne Park, Porter

Juried fine arts fair, 140 artists from US and Canada, all media represented, food, beverages, children's activities, free parking.

219.926.4711

www.chestertonart.com

7–10/ Amish Acres Arts & Crafts Festival, Nappanee

380 artists and crafters exhibit around the pond at Amish Acres. Paddleboat and haywagon rides, three entertainment stages and festive foods.

800.800.4942

www.amishacres.com

8–9/ College Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival, South Bend

Three-day festival honors and inducts college football legends into the Hall of Fame. Banquet, youth clinic and a flag football game.

800.440.FAME

www.collegefootball.org

14–17/ Lakefront Festival, Hobart

Food, music, duck race, pig roast, arts & crafts, children's game area.

219.942.2987

www.alllake.org



Wakarusa Maple Syrup Festival



For more details, see Roadmap on page 30.

15-17/ Osceola Bluegrass Festival

Free three day outdoor bluegrass music festival with food and crafts.

574.674.8878

22-23/ David Rogers Festival, David Rogers Park - LaGrange

1845 LaGrange County reproduced in a log house village. Music, storytellers, period craft demonstrations, children's activity area and more.

800.254.8090

www.backroads.org

23-24/ Porter County Heritage Air Show, Valparaiso

Aircraft from Warbirds past to Warbirds present. Static, aerial, non-military aircraft and helicopter displays.

219.464.9577

www.portercountyairshow.com

August 29-September 1/ Labor Dayz, Michigan City

Fun for the whole family on the shores of Lake Michigan as Labor Day weekend is celebrated with rides, food, arts and crafts, games and entertainment in Washington Park.

888.493.5349

August 29-September 1/ Marshall County Blueberry Festival, Plymouth

The largest four day festival in the Midwest. 500 craft booths, parade, hot air balloons, car show, fantastic fireworks and 15K run.

888.936.5020

August 30-September 1/ Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa, South Bend

Celebrate the huckleberry harvest. Native American Dance, vendors, food and craft booths. Hosted by the Potawatomi Indian Nation.

877.792.7687

SEPTEMBER

6/ Valparaiso Popcorn Festival, Valparaiso

Popcorn parade, hot air balloon show, arts and crafts, five mile run, 5K walk, and live entertainment. Honors the late Orville Redenbacher.

219.464.8332

www.popcornfest.org

19-21/ Wizard of Oz Festival, Chesterton

Join Dorothy and all of her original munchkin friends for three days of fantasy. Look-a-like contests, parade, arts, crafts, and everything Oz.

219.926.5513

www.chestertonchamber.org

20-21/ Back to the Days of Kosciusko, Warsaw
Lakeside mock battles, singing minstrels, caldrons of bubbling soups, "cocked" hats and splatterdashers.

888.560.4463

www.backtotheday.com

27/ Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale, Goshen

Hundreds of handcrafted quilts, antiques, etc. go on the auction block at this nationally known event with all proceeds benefiting worldwide relief.

800.860.5958

www.AmishCountry.org

27-28/ FallFest, Angola

17 hours of musical entertainment. Arts and crafts on the historic public square.

800.LAKE.101

27-28/ End of September Bluegrass Festival, Plymouth

True blue pickin' will set your toes to tappin'. Outstanding groups and parking lot pickin' around the campsites.

800.626.5353

OCTOBER

18/ Village at Winona Fall Festival, Winona Lake

"Fresh from the press" cider, music, fall colors and shopping in the artisans' court. Along the shores of beautiful Winona Lake.

888.560.4463

www.villageatwinona.com

NOVEMBER

7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29/ Country Christmas in Shipshewana

Almost 100 downtown "specialty stores." Handmade furniture, heirloom-quality antiques, baked goods and handcrafted items. Gift ideas galore!

800.254.8090

www.backroads.org

November 21, 2003-January 2, 2004/ Winter Wonderland, Hammond

Animated holiday scenes, beautifully decorated holiday trees, and lots of vibrant lights will all be on display.

800.ALL.LAKE

www.alllake.org

Valparaiso Popcorn Festival



November 30, 2003-January 4, 2004/ Christmas at Copshaholm

Copshaholm, the Oliver Mansion is decorated with Christmas trees, festooned fireplaces and staircases draped in garland - all reminiscent of the Victorian era.

574.235.9664

www.centerforhistory.org



Amish Acres Arts & Crafts Festival

DECEMBER

6-7/ Kouts Christmas Open House, Kouts

The residents of Kouts open their homes to holiday shoppers. Featuring handmade arts, crafts, cookies, candy and delicious luncheons. Watch for the stars.

219.766.3791

www.kouts.org

6-7/ Bethlehem Marketplace, Angola

A walk-through drama features a cast of 200 people depicting the events the day after Christ was born.

800.LAKE.101

December 6-January 2004/ Festival of Lights, Michigan City

"Festival of Lights" display in Washington Park. Celebrate yuletide splendor with the downtown merchants' great sales, the Snowflake Parade and tree lighting ceremony.

888.493.5349

December 6-January 15 2004/ Christmas at Barker Mansion, Michigan City

The charm of Christmas past at this turn-of-the-century English manor. Three opulent floors decorated in period Yuletide splendor.

888.493.5349

BED & BREAKFASTS AND



(Top to Bottom) A Checkerberry Inn Getaway,
Wild Winds Buffalo Preserve B&B, Inn at Aberdeen



Beachwalk Resort Community

Relax in your own private luxury rental home set in the dunes along Lake Michigan. This neo-traditional community offers four-season recreation, dining and entertainment.

208 Beachwalk Lane, Michigan City
800.814.7501

www.beachwalkresort.com

Blue Heron Inn

The Inn offers 29 lakeview rooms with a hot tub, fireplace and patio, and quaint staterooms in a floating boathouse with private deck on Pine Lake.

1004 Lakeside, LaPorte
219.362.5077

www.pleastshore.com

Crestview Inn & Suites

Nestled on four acres of rambling pines and rolling hills, this hotel features luxurious whirlpool suites. Northwest Indiana's best kept secret!

12551 Wicker Ave., Cedar Lake
219.374.5434

www.alllake.org

Gray Goose Inn

Surrounded by oak trees, this English Country Inn overlooks Lake Palomara. Rated in the top six waterfront inns in America by *Glamour* magazine. Located 2.5 miles from Lake Michigan.

350 Indian Boundary Rd., Chesterton
800.521.5127

www.graygooseinn.com

Inn at Aberdeen

Rejuvenate in the ambiance of this 19th Century Queen Anne Inn. Enjoy the golf course or relax in a private suite with Jacuzzi, fireplace, gourmet breakfast and evening snack.

3158 SR 2, Valparaiso
219.465.3753

www.innataberdeen.com

Springhouse Inn

Breathe deep in the great outdoors. Relax in spacious country balcony rooms. Melt away in the whirlpool, dry sauna and indoor pool or rejuvenate in the fitness room.

303 North Mineral Springs Rd., Porter
866.386.3700

www.springhouseinn.com

Brook Pointe Inn

Experience the 20 acres of meadows and woods from the screened-in porch or walking paths. A relaxed setting and impeccable service. Swim in the indoor pool or shop the unique gift store.

4906 East 1200 North, Bowser Rd., Syracuse

574.457.4466

www.koscvb.org

Ev & Jayne's Irish Inn

Relax at this country retreat located on 10 wooded acres. Each room features a private bath/whirlpool, fireplace, turn of the century red oak and leaded glass décor. Golf courses and bike trails nearby.

7290 North Michigan Rd., Plymouth
574.936.9190

www.evandjaynesirishinn.com

Morris Inn

Located on the Notre Dame campus, this inn offers a bird's eye view of the famous Golden Dome. 92 comfortable rooms, a full service restaurant and lounge make it a perfect retreat.

Notre Dame Ave., Notre Dame
574.631.2000

www.themorrisinn.com



Farmstead Inn

COUNTRY INNS

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Ev & Jayne's Irish Inn

Prairie House B&B

Prepare to be pampered! Enjoy peace and quiet, in the countryside, at this refurbished home on a working farm. Visit under the stars in the gazebo, read by the fire or watch TV in the game room.

495 East 900 North, Leesburg

574.658.9211

www.prairiehouse.net

Ramada White Hill Manor

Listed on the National Historic Register, this restored English Tudor mansion gives an atmosphere of attentive service and elegance. Classic accommodations with privacy and relaxation for the discriminating traveler.

2519 East Center St., Warsaw

574.269.2323

www.wagonwheeltheatre.com

Swan Lake Resort

Home to the US Golf Academy, this resort offers the ultimate in relaxation. Features include a spa and workout facility, massage therapy and on-site dining. Stay and Play packages available.

5203 Plymouth/LaPorte Trail, Plymouth

800.582.7539

www.slresort.com

Queen Anne Inn

This 1893 Victorian mansion, located in downtown South Bend, features six guest rooms with private baths, full breakfast and High Tea each Thursday.

420 West Washington St., South Bend

800.582.2379

www.queenanneinn.net

Checkerberry Inn

European-style country inn situated on 100 private acres along Amish backroads. Individually decorated rooms, intimate dining, gracious public areas and relaxing atmosphere.

62644 CR 37, Goshen

574.642.4445

www.checkerberryinn.com

Farmstead Inn

You'll be charmed by this inn's cozy atmosphere, featuring a three-story atrium with seven fireplaces. Walking distance to Shipshewana Flea Market and downtown shopping.

SR 5, Shipshewana

260.768.4595

www.tradingplaceamerica.com

Four Seasons Bed & Breakfast Group

Nestle into top quality comfort, knowing that all bed and breakfasts in this group have passed a quality assurance inspection. Choose from a restored barn, log cabin, country or Victorian theme.

Located throughout Amish Country

800.860.5958

www.AmishCountrybb.org

Holmestead Inn B&B

Listen to the clip-clop of passing buggies from the front porch of this country retreat. Enjoy a homemade breakfast then take a stroll along walking paths and fragrant gardens.

4330 West 200 South, LaGrange

260.463.7544

www.shipshewana.org/holmestead

Potawatomi Inn

Recently rated one of the top 25 resorts in the Midwest by *Midwest Living*. Located on Lake James, the inn offers guest rooms, suites, cabins, on-site dining and numerous recreational opportunities.

6 Lane 100A Lake James, Angola

877.768.2928

www.state.in.us/dnr

Village Gardens B&B

Relax at this beautiful French Country bed and breakfast. Amenities include private baths, an outdoor hot tub and walking distance to Shipshewana Flea Market and downtown shopping.

100 Talmadge St., Shipshewana

260.768.8060

www.shipshewanavillagegardens.com



Crestview Inn & Suites

Wild Winds Buffalo Preserve B&B

Get cozy in this log cabin bed and breakfast under genuine buffalo hides. Reserve your own bison dinner, trail ride or tour of the 400-acre preserve for a unique experience.

6975 North Ray Rd., Fremont

260.495.0137

www.wildwindsbuffalo.com

National Lodging

AmeriHost Inn, Hammond
800.434.5800
www.amerihostinn.com

Best Western Inn, Hammond,
Merrillville, Schererville
800.780.7234
www.bestwestern.com

Comfort Inn, Merrillville,
Michigan City, Portage
800.228.5150
www.choicehotels.com

Courtyard by Marriott
Hammond, Merrillville,
Valparaiso
800.321.2211
www.marriott.com

Days Inn, Merrillville, Portage
800.DAYSINN
www.daysinn.com

Econo Lodge, Chesterton
800.55.ECONO
www.econolodge.com

Fairfield Inn by Marriott
Hammond, Merrillville,
Valparaiso
800.228.2800
www.fairfieldinn.com

Hampton Inn
LaPorte, Merrillville,
Michigan City, Portage
800.HAMPTON
www.hamptoninn.com

Hampton Inn & Suites, Valparaiso
800.HAMPTON
www.hamptoninn.com

Hilton Garden Inn, Chesterton
800.774.1500
www.hilton.com

Holiday Inn, Michigan City
800.HOLIDAY
www.holiday-inn.com

Holiday Inn Express
LaPorte, Merrillville, Portage,
Schererville, Valparaiso
800.HOLIDAY
www.holiday-inn.com

Knights Inn
Merrillville, Michigan City
800.THEKNIGHTS
www.knightsinn.com

Radisson, Merrillville
800.333.3333
www.radisson.com

Ramada Inn
Hammond, LaPorte, Portage
800.2.RAMADA
www.ramada.com

Red Roof Inn
Merrillville, Michigan City
800.REDROOF
www.redroof.com

Residence Inn
Hammond, Merrillville
800.331.3131
www.marriott.com

Super 8, Chesterton,
Hammond, Hebron, LaPorte,
Merrillville, Michigan City,
Portage, Valparaiso
800.800.8000
www.super8.com

Best Western Inn & Suites
Mishawaka
800.780.7234
www.bestwestern.com

Comfort Inn & Suites
South Bend
800.228.5150
www.choicehotels.com

Courtyard by Marriott
Mishawaka
800.321.2211
www.marriott.com

Days Inn, Mishawaka,
Plymouth, South Bend, Warsaw
800.DAYSINN
www.daysinn.com

Econo Lodge, South Bend
800.55.ECONO
www.econolodge.com

Fairfield Inn by Marriott
Mishawaka
800.228.2800
www.fairfieldinn.com

Hampton Inn & Suites
Mishawaka, South Bend,
Warsaw
800.HAMPTON
www.hamptoninn.com

Holiday Inn
South Bend
800.HOLIDAY
www.holiday-inn.com

Holiday Inn Express
Mishawaka,
Plymouth, Warsaw
800.HOLIDAY
www.holiday-inn.com

Knights Inn
South Bend
800.THEKNIGHTS
www.knightsinn.com

Ramada Inn, Plymouth, South
Bend, Warsaw
800.2.RAMADA
www.ramada.com

Red Roof Inn, Mishawaka
800.REDROOF
www.redroof.com

Residence Inn, South Bend
800.331.3131
www.marriott.com

Quality Inn & Suites
South Bend
877.424.6423
www.qualityinn.com

Signature Inn, South Bend
800-822-5252
www.signature-inns.com

Super 8, Mishawaka, Plymouth,
South Bend, Warsaw
800.800.8000
www.super8.com

Best Western Inn
Angola, Elkhart, Goshen
800.228.5150
www.bestwestern.com

Comfort Inn & Suites, Elkhart
800.228.5150
www.choicehotels.com

**Country Inn & Suites by
Carlson**, Elkhart, Shipshewana
888.201.1746
www.countryinns.com

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Goshen
800.321.2211
www.marriott.com

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800.DAYSINN
www.daysinn.com

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800.55.ECONO
www.econolodge.com

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www.hamptoninn.com

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Fremont, Goshen, Howe
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www.holiday-inn.com

Knights Inn, Elkhart
800.THEKNIGHTS
www.knightsinn.com

Quality Inn & Suites, Elkhart
877.424.6423
www.qualityinn.com

Ramada Inn
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800.2.RAMADA
www.ramada.com

Red Roof Inn, Elkhart
800.REDROOF
www.redroof.com

Signature Inn, Elkhart
800.822.5252
www.signature-inns.com

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www.super8.com



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Deep River County Park

Buckley Homestead

Get a feel for turn-of-the-century agricultural life at this living history farm. Explore a pioneer farmstead, complete with animals and a one-room schoolhouse.

3606 Belshaw Rd., Lowell
219.696.0769
www.lakecountyparks.com

Charter Fishing

Create your own fully equipped half or full day angling adventure with the help of an experienced charter captain. Put your hook within biting distance of Lake Michigan Trout, Coho or Chinook.

Visitors Center,
502 South Meer Rd., Michigan City
800.634.2650
www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

Deep River County Park

Enjoy nature at its best in this 940-acre park with walking trails, picnic areas and

Mt. Baldy



great fishing. Relax in the shadow of one of the area's two working grist mills.

9410 Old Lincoln Hwy., Hobart
219.947.1958
www.lakecountyparks.com

Gibson Woods Nature Preserve

Observe nature during a quiet walk on savannas, open prairies and marshy wetlands. The largest undisturbed dune topography in existence and home to a large variety of plants and birds.

6201 Parrish Ave., Hammond
219.844.3188
www.lakecountyparks.com

Lake Michigan Power Boat Rentals

Rent a powerboat, charter a yacht, launch your boat on Lake Michigan for specialty cruises, sight-seeing, fishing, picnicking or a romantic sunset cruise.

Visitors Center,
800 Indian Boundary Rd.,
Chesterton
800.283.8687
www.indianadunes.com

Mt. Baldy

Climb this 123-foot living sand dune for a breathtaking view of Lake Michigan, from Indiana's only operating lighthouse to the Chicago Skyline. Bring along a picnic and blanket!

U.S. 12 and County Line Rd. Michigan City
800.959.9174 ext. 225
www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

Bike Trails

Four marked routes provide an opportunity to view nature at its best. The foliage and abundance of wildlife provide a very scenic route.

Webster School, Plymouth
800.626.5353
www.blueberrycountry.org

Blackthorn Golf Club

Tee off on a world class course featuring 220 acres of rolling woods, primitive wet lands and lush beauty. Rated 4 ½ stars by *Golf Digest* in 2002 Places to Play.

6100 Nimtz Parkway,
South Bend
574.232.4653
www.blackthorngolf.com

Potawatomi Wildlife Park

Unwind in this natural sanctuary for plants and animals. Bird watch, picnic, hike or cross-country ski through five miles of diverse landscape that includes woodlands, wetlands and fields.

16998 SR 331, Tippecanoe
574.498.6550



Blackthorn Golf Club

Winona Lake Trail System

Open to the public for bicycling, walking, jogging and cross-country skiing, this multi-use eight mile trail winds past the canal and through the woods to offer a safe and scenic way to enjoy the outdoors.

Boys City Dr., Winona Lake
888.560.4463
www.koscvb.org

Toboggan Run

One of only three refrigerated toboggans in the Midwest, this run gives thrill seekers a 1,700-foot adventure in speed. Traveling 40 miles per hour, riders reach the bottom in 35 seconds.

Pokagon State Park, 450 Lane 100 Lake James, Angola
260.833.2012
www.state.in.us/dnr



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Edgewater Grille

Ludwig's

If you are in the mood for a little taste of Europe, this American/Euro grill fills the bill. Offering traditional American ethnic and Euro cuisine at affordable down home prices.

7206 Calumet Ave., Hammond
219.933.4477
www.ludwigsclubcafe.com

Marti's Place at Ramsey's Landing

Overlooking the Kankakee River, visitors can enjoy dining al fresco on the veranda, inside in the dining room or lounge. Famous for their prime rib and seafood.

17519 North 700 West, Hebron
219.996.3363
www.emartisplace.com

Phil Smidt's

The experts agree: this restaurant was named a "Best Bet" by *Gourmet* magazine.

DINING



A Chicagoland mecca since 1910, this eatery is famous for their frog legs and lake perch.
1205 North Calumet Ave., Hammond
800.FROGLEG
www.froglegs.com

Strongbow Inn

A dining destination since 1940, this nationally acclaimed fine dining restaurant features roasted turkey, full bakery, rustic décor, full Continental menu, and Blue Yonder Lounge.

2405 US Hwy. 30, Valparaiso
800.462.5121
www.strongbowinn.com

Swingbelly's in the Depot

Swingbelly's nautical atmosphere is perfect for the casual diner. The menu offers an inspiring variety featuring their infamous half-pound burger. Located on Lake Michigan.

100 Washington St., Michigan City
219.874.5718
www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

Trattoria Enzo

A comfortable, warm, inviting restaurant with a menu that features traditional Italian specialties.

601 Michigan Ave., LaPorte
219.326.8000
www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

Café Max

This classic diner is a former movie house filled with local memorabilia. The locals enjoy the homemade soups and fresh baked breads. Serving breakfast and lunch.

113 South Main St., Culver
574.842.2511
www.blueberrycountry.org

Corndance Café

Enjoy great Italian food, steaks, seafood and a cozy atmosphere. Just steps away from the beach near Culver Cove.

117 South Main St., Culver
574.842.3220
www.blueberrycountry.org

Edgewater Grille

A casual atmosphere, quirky environment and great seafood make for a fun dining experience. The varied and creative menu also includes specialty steaks, pasta and vegetarian dishes

620 Lake Shore Dr., Culver
574.842.2234
www.blueberrycountry.org

BoatHouse Restaurant

Elegant dining in an historic setting overlooking beautiful Winona Lake. Browse the Mercantile and Crow's Nest gift shops before and after dining.

700 Park Ave., Winona Lake
574.268.2179
www.villageatwinona.com

LaSalle Grill

Experience this AAA Four Diamond award-winning restaurant with great atmosphere, an award-winning wine list and delicious cuisine that is artfully presented.

115 West Colfax Ave., South Bend
800.382.9323
www.lasallegrill.com

Barbee Bar & Grill

Year after year, summer vacationers come back to this restaurant, a Warsaw institution since 1897. Unique house specials and locally supplied duck, seafood and buffalo give it a memorable flavor.

3620 North Barbee Rd., Warsaw
574.834.2984
www.koscvb.org





For more details, see Roadmap on page 30.



Blue Gate Restaurant

Tippecanoe Place

Originally the home of Clement Studebaker, this stately 1889 mansion, located in downtown South Bend, houses a fine continental restaurant and features 40 rooms and 20 fireplaces.
620 West Washington St., South Bend
574.234.9077
www.tippe.com

Wawasee Room at Oakwood Inn

Enjoy extraordinary continental regional specialties and the panoramic lake view from the Wawasee Room. In season, casual outdoor dining is offered on the lakeshore.
201 East Epworth Forrest Rd., Syracuse
574.457.5600
www.oakwoodfoundation.org

Blue Gate Restaurant

Whether you choose family-style or menu dining, you can always count on traditional Amish cooking and country hospitality. The on-site bakery offers homemade pies, breads, cakes and candy.
105 East Middlebury St., Shipshewana
260.768.4725
www.riegsecker.com

BrickHouse Steak & Seafood

Intimate dining in a restored historic home circa 1870, featuring unique continental cuisine and excellent service. Specialty of the house, a one pound pork chop!
16820 CR 38, Goshen
574.537.1171
www.brickhousegoshen.com

Captain's Cabin

Known for their steaks, prime rib and seafood, this restaurant overlooks Crooked Lake. Casual dining in the lounge or fine lakefront dining available.
3070 West Shady Side Rd., Angola
260.665.5663
www.lakes101.org

Clay's Family Restaurant

A family-friendly restaurant offering a casual atmosphere on beautiful Lake George. The menu features homemade soups, salads, sandwiches and pies and the popular weekend breakfast buffet.
7815 North Old 27, Fremont
260.833.1332
www.lakes101.org

Countryview Banquets

Let the Yoder children entertain you with song while you enjoy genuine Amish home-cooking. The meal is served by this Amish family in a barn-like setting on their farmstead.
0325 North 700 West, LaGrange
260.768.7626
www.backroads.org

Herb Garden Restaurant

A unique garden atmosphere nestled in a rustic log cabin. Sample unique fare like crab cakes, yam fries, spinach balls and portabella mushrooms in this cozy restaurant.
215 East SR 120, Fremont
260.833.1658
www.lakes101.org

Lucchese's Family Restaurant

Excellent Italian cuisine served in a casual and friendly atmosphere. Locals flock there for its homemade pastas, crusty breads, zesty sauces and delightful daily specials.
205 East Jackson Blvd., Elkhart
574.522.4137

Patchwork Quilt Country Inn

Dine in a centennial farmhouse overlooking pastoral countryside. Serving bountiful lunch and dinner buffets, its famous buttermilk pecan chicken, homemade breads and tantalizing desserts.
11748 CR 2, Middlebury
574.825.2417
www.patchworkquiltinn.com

LaSalle Grill



UNIQUE EXPERIENCES



(Top to Bottom) University of Notre Dame library,
Satek Winery

49er Drive-In Theatre

One of less than 500 remaining 1950's drive-in theatres. Classic concession stand. First-run double features in digital stereo sound or listen through the original speaker boxes.

675 North Calumet Ave., Valparaiso
219.462.6122
www.49erdrivein.com

Back Road Brewery

LaPorte's first production microbrewery offers craft beers abounding by the barrel. Sample award-winning brews while attending the Saturday tours.

Corner of Lake & Tyler, LaPorte
219.362.7623
www.backroadbrewery.com

Lake County Casinos

Enjoy the thrill of gaming at one of four premier casinos located on beautiful Lake Michigan. Harrah's, Horseshoe, Majestic Star and Trump each have flair of their own. Test your luck!

800.ALL.LAKE
www.alllake.org

Dixie Boat

Float on Indiana's oldest sternwheeler during a one hour, nine mile cruise around Lake Webster. Be a part of a 74-year tradition, listening to the paddleboat whistle while enjoying music and refreshments.

Dixie Dr., North Webster
800.566.2551
www.adventure-glass.com/dixie

Marshall County Blueberry Festival

Celebrate Labor Day weekend at Indiana's largest four day festival. Attend a 15K run, sample diverse entertainment and shop more than 500 craft booths.

Centennial Park, Plymouth
888.936.5020
www.blueberryfestival.org

University of Notre Dame

Live the legend on this 1,250 acre campus, consistently rated in the top 20 universities nationwide. Football fans flock to the Golden Dome, arguably the most recognized college landmark in the country.

111 Eck Visitors Center, Notre Dame
574.631.5726
www.nd.edu

Amish Country

Travel a road to the past along country by-ways with horse-drawn buggies, discover thriving hometowns, stay in friendly bed & breakfasts and savor traditional home cooking.

219 Caravan Dr., Elkhart
800.860.5958
www.AmishCountry.org

Emma General Store

Take a trip to the past with a visit to this backroads General Store. Enjoy old-fashioned soda fountain favorites, homemade pies, soup, sandwiches and much more.

5990 West 200 South, Topeka
260.593.9025
www.backroads.org

Satek Winery

Northeast Indiana's only winery offers wines produced with locally-grown Foch, Seyval, and DeChaunec grapes. Pack a picnic lunch and enjoy free wine tasting.

6208 North Van Guilder Rd., Fremont
260.495.WINE
www.satekwinery.com



Wild Winds Buffalo Preserve

Tour the 400-acre preserve in an open-air vehicle or by horseback. Gift shop includes buffalo hides and meat. Rest easy under genuine buffalo hides in the log cabin bed and breakfast.

6975 North Ray Rd., Fremont
260.495.0137
www.wildwindsbuffalo.com

Amish Country





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CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS



Old Lighthouse Museum

Old Lighthouse Museum

Delve into Lake Michigan's rich maritime history through lake lore, shipwrecks and a recreated lighthouse keeper's home. Housed in an original 1858 lighthouse, the only one in Indiana.

[Heisman Harbor Rd., Michigan City](#)

219.872.6133

[www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com](#)

Culver Academies

One of the nation's top college prep schools, the academy has educated students since 1894. Take a self guided tour of the 1,800 acre campus, featuring red brick buildings, a chapel and views of Lake Maxinkuckee.

[1300 Academy Rd., Culver](#)

800.5.Culver

[www.culver.org](#)

The College Football Hall of Fame

Action packed interactive displays and treasured artifacts of college football make this a must see for football fans.

Powers Church



Experience the sights and sounds of the big game in the 360-degree Stadium Theater.

[111 South St. Joseph St., South Bend](#)

800.440.FAME

[www.collegefootball.org](#)

Powers Church

This 1876 church features original oak and butternut woodwork, kerosene lamps and a pump organ. Attend one of three Sunday summer services or book a tour by appointment.

[8090 East 40 South, Angola](#)

260.665.5498

[www.lakes101.org](#)

plays and special events at St. Patrick's County Park outdoor amphitheater.

[50651 Laurel Rd., South Bend](#)

574.288.3472

[www.fireflyfestival.com](#)

Ramada Wagon Wheel Theatre

Year round concerts, live theatre and family productions are never more than 10 rows away at this unique theatre-in-the-round. An annual holiday show attracts guests from across the region.

[2519 East Center St., Warsaw](#)

866.823.2618

[www.wagonwheeltheatre.com](#)



Amish Acres Round Barn Theatre

Star Plaza Theatre

Many of the top names in entertainment perform at this intimate 3,400-seat theater. The semi-circle design keeps all seating within 120 feet of the stage. Overnight and dinner packages available at adjacent Radisson Hotel.

[8001 Delaware Place, Merrillville](#)

219.769.6600

[www.starplazatheatre.com](#)

Amish Acres Round Barn Theatre

This authentic converted Amish round barn plays host to Indiana's only resident musical repertory theatre. The national home of Plain and Fancy, a musical interpretation of the Amish way of life.

[1600 West Market St., Nappanee](#)

800.800.4942

[www.amishacres.com](#)

Firefly Performing Arts Festival

Music under the stars! A summer long series of concerts, symphony performances,



SHOPPING



(Top to Bottom) Lighthouse Place Premium Outlets,
Anderson's Orchards & Vineyards

Anderson's Orchards & Vineyards

Winner of state, Midwest and national winemaking competitions, this family owned vineyard offers free wine tasting, 16 different wines, a country market, homemade baked goods, tours and banquets.

430 East US 6, Valparaiso
219.464.4936

www.andersonsvineyard.com

Antique Tour

Enjoy a journey through time as you shop the "Antique Mecca" of Northwest

Indiana. Find your treasure among 13 locations in the historic downtowns of Michigan City and LaPorte.

Downtown LaPorte and Michigan City
800.839.0586

www.bicyclebeachesandbackroads.com

Downtown Lowell

Explore over 30 specialty shops in this historic small town full of turn-of-the-century ambiance. The quaint storefronts include antique shops, an art gallery, country craft shops and bakeries.

403 East Commercial Ave., Lowell
219.696.6487

www.shoplowellindiana.com

Lighthouse Place Premium Outlets

Select from Crate and Barrel, Polo, Levi's, Oilily, Coach, Spiegel and many more upscale shops at this 120 store outlet center.

601 Wabash St., Michigan City
219.879.6506

www.premiumoutlets.com/lighthouseplace

Memories Past

Shop for yourself or someone special among unique handcrafted items, floral creations, country furniture and coveted Boyd's Bears. For a special treat, pay a visit to the homemade fudge shop.

5349 US 6, Portage
219.762.4112

www.indianadunes.com

Skystone N' Silver

A unique store specializing in Native American arts, culture and crafts. You'll find handmade rugs, pottery, art, sculpture, books, music and knowledgeable staff to assist you.

1350 South Lake Park Ave., Hobart
219.942.9022

www.skystonensilver.com

The Steeple Gallery

Housed in a renovated church, this 4,000 square foot gallery was featured on the *Home and Garden Channel*. Specializing in fine art from around the world, including original Rembrandt etchings.

11107 Thiel St., St. John
219.365.1014

www.thesteeplegallery.com

Antiquing Town of Pierceton

Dealing in the rare and unusual, Pierceton offers the hospitality and friendliness that only small towns have. Make your gifts unique – give antiques.

SR 13, Pierceton
888.560.4463

www.koscvb.org

Painter and Poet Gallery

Discover this delightful gallery where a local couple designs and sells their own watercolors, note cards and prints. She provides the watercolors and he provides the prose.

114 South Main St., Culver
574.842.8888

www.painterandpoet.com

South Bend Chocolate Company

Gourmet chocolates, regional specialties and seasonal edibles make this local candy maker a favorite among Midwestern "sweet tooths." Take a tour of the factory or enjoy dessert at the Chocolate Café.

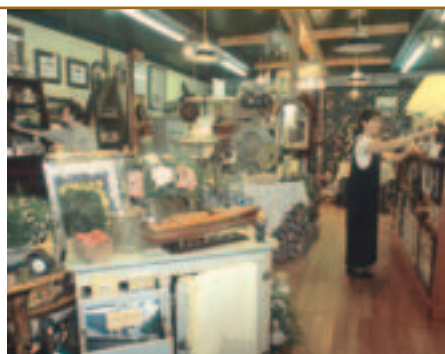
3300 West Sample St., South Bend
800.301.4961

www.sbchocolate.com





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White Front Shops

University Park Mall

You'll find a shopping bonanza at Indiana's second largest retail area. The centerpiece is the mall, which boasts four major department stores, over 100 smaller shops and an expansive food court.

6501 North Grape Rd., Mishawaka
574.271.5531
www.shopsimon.com

White Front Shops

Reclaimed and renovated, this collection of distinctive businesses is dedicated to the presentation of a unique shopping experience while preserving the charm of the past.

SR 13, North Webster
574.834.3663
www.koscvb.org

Barn Stable Antiques

This 1870s restored barn, featured in *Redbook*, specializes in primitive, painted and period furniture. Other treasures include reproduction tin

ware, decoys, crockery, lamps, rugs and linens.

335 East SR 120, Fremont
260.495.2276
www.barnstableantiques.com

Furniture Crafters Tour

Experience the heritage and pride that go into Amish furniture crafting. This audio driving tour visits the showrooms of 10 Amish Country woodworkers and recounts their personal stories.

Visitors Center, 219 Caravan Dr., Elkhart
800.860.5958
www.AmishCountry.org

Handmade Quilts

This Amish quiltmaker continues the tradition her grandmother started of quality, handmade quilts. Choose from a large selection of quilts and wallhangings in various sizes and patterns.

975 South Van Buren St., Shipshewana
800.254.8090
www.backroads.org

Judith M Hat Shop

Hat enthusiasts this shop is for you! Functional hats, lush trims, fine quality ribbons, millinery books and supplies, scarves, gloves, jewelry and much more.

104 South Detroit St., LaGrange
877.499.4407
www.judithm.com

Old Bag Factory

A century old renovated factory featuring an eclectic mix of shops with unique handcrafted items.

On-site working artisans include a potter, sculptor, fiber artist, candlemaker and woodworker.

1100 Chicago Ave., Goshen
574.534.2502

www.oldbagfactory.com

Olympia Candy Kitchen

Family owned since 1912, this charming corner cafe with its original soda fountain serves breakfast, lunch, ice cream treats and hand-dipped chocolates made from scratch.

136 North Main St., Goshen
574.533.5040
www.olympiacandykitchen.com

Prime Outlets

Visit Indiana's original factory outlet center. More than 50 upscale, brand name stores including Nike, Nautica, Gap and Coach offer everything from clothing to housewares

6245 North Old 27, Fremont
260.833.1684
www.primeoutlets.com



Old Bag Factory

Shipshewana Flea Market & Antique Auction

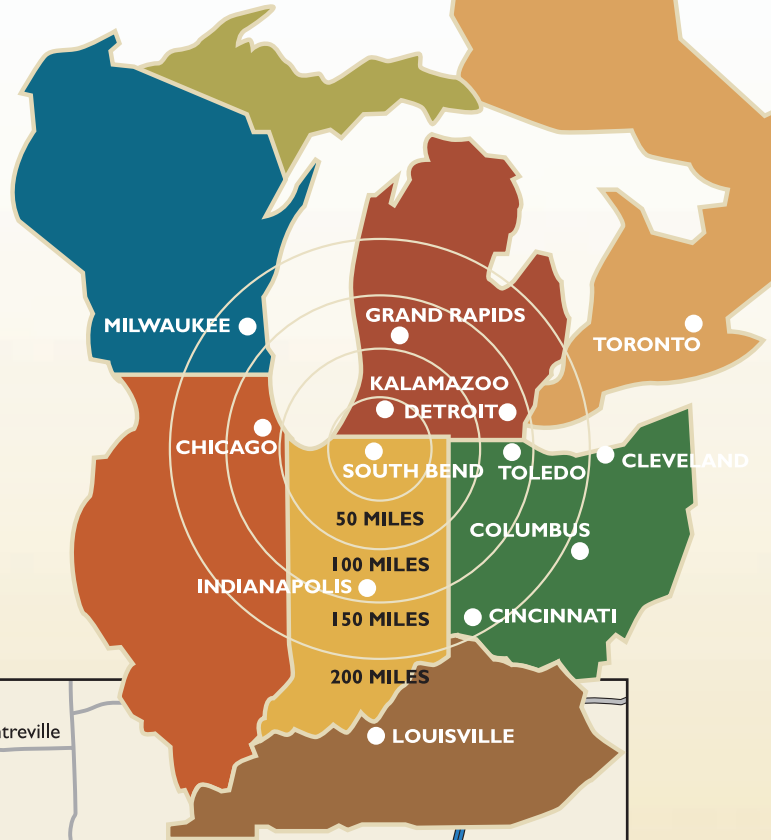
You'll be amazed at the selection offered at the Midwest's largest outdoor flea market, including crafts, furniture and produce. Bid on your treasure at the Wednesday morning antique auction.

SR 5, Shipshewana
260.768.4129
www.tradingplaceamerica.com



Shipshewana Flea Market

	Hammond	Chesterton	Michigan City	South Bend	Elkhart	Plymouth	Shipshewana	Warsaw	Angola
Hammond	–	25	38	70	86	74	110	97	141
Chesterton	25	–	13	48	63	54	87	80	120
Michigan City	38	13	–	34	54	47	78	71	110
South Bend	70	34	34	–	14	24	44	47	76
Elkhart	86	63	54	14	–	38	22	34	62
Plymouth	74	54	47	24	38	–	68	24	100
Shipshewana	110	87	78	44	22	68	–	42	35
Warsaw	97	80	71	47	34	24	42	–	73
Angola	141	120	110	76	62	100	35	73	–
Chicago	26	48	61	96	109	97	133	120	165
Detroit	260	235	225	216	202	240	160	223	155
Indianapolis	159	166	179	138	153	114	173	142	169



CHARM

at the Turn of the Century

DISTINCTION

at the Turn of the Century

(We're talking two different centuries here.)

Winona Lake has quite a history. In 1900, at the dawn of the 20th century, Winona Lake was well on its way to becoming one of the Midwest's premiere cultural, educational, and recreational destinations. Today, with the dawning of the 21st century, Winona Lake's charming lakeside cityscape has been reborn to create a truly unique shopping and sightseeing experience. Winona Lake has quite a future.

DISTINCTIVE SHOPPING



The canal-side setting of **Artisans' Court** invites shoppers to stroll through an earlier era, yet the distinctive goods offered for sale tempt the most discerning modern shopper.

FINE DINING



The BoatHouse Restaurant hugs the shore of Winona Lake, offering casual fine dining in a setting inspired by 19th century Chautauqua architecture.

CULTURE & HISTORY



A tour of **The Billy Sunday Home** serves as a reminder of the spiritual and cultural fervor ignited by the legendary baseball-player turned evangelist who called Winona Lake home.



The Village at Winona

574.268.9888

www.villageatwinona.com